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Home Agents Schedule

Home Demonstration Agent's schedule, Jan. 8.-13:

Monday, Jan. 8.- Mrs. Mary L. Thompson, Extension Foods and Nutrition Specialist, will meet with the foods leaders in the office of the home agent at 10 A. M. Mrs. Thompson will give demonstrations in community meals and yeast breads.

Wednesday, an. 10.- The Susan Haar Home Demonstration Club will meet at 1:30 P. M., with Mrs. W. C. Chilton and Miss Ava Chilton as co-hostesses. The demonstration will be on lamps and shades and will be given by the club leaders. The club will have a New Year's party and exchange of gifts for the recreation hour.

Thursday, Jan. 11.- The Stonewall Home Demonstration lub will meet at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Lester Carson. The demonstration will be on lamps and shades and will be given by the club leaders.

Friday, January 12.- The Richwood Home Demonstration Club will meet at 10:30 A. M. with Mrs. J. E. Wooldridge. The demonstration on lamps and shades will be given by Mrs. Martin. Members bring lunch.

Tues., Jan. 9.- The Oakville, Vera, Appomattox Junior and Senior 4-H Clubs wil meet.

Wed., Jan. 10.- Spout Spring and Stonewall 4-H Club meetings.

Friday, Jan. 12.- Pamplin and Evergreen 4-H Clubs.

Veteran's Information

WHAT EVERY VETERAN SHOULD KNOW:-

Expiration dates for filing:

1. Before July 1, 1951: Application for automobile by amputees and other disabled veterans who have lost the use of one leg or legs because of service-connected disability. A grant of $1,600 is now allowed toward the purchase of a car, previous to Sept. 22, 1950 the cost of the car could not exceed $1,600.

2. Before March 1, 1951: Prisoner of War Claims, for $1.00 a day allowance for sub-standard diets must be filed. The same deadline applies to dependents of deceased prisoners of war.

3. Before July 1, 1951: Terminal Leave applications must be filed before that date, unless discharge was corrected to Honorable Status; then one year from date of change is allowed.

4. After July 26th, 1951: only veterans pursuing courses on July 25th, 1951, (or the date four years after discharge is discharged on or after July 25th, 1947) man continue education or training under public Law 346. Later interruptations of the course or completion of course will terminate all further rights to GI education or training.

5. Before July 26th, 1951: Application for education, on-the-job training, on -Farm Training or apprenticeship training under GI Bill (Public Law 346) must have been made and courses begun. Courses may continue to July 25, 1956, if veteran has sufficient service credits and there is no interruption or completion of course. Veterans who were in service on July 25th, 1947 have 4 years from date of discharge to make application for these benefits.

6. Before June 30th, 1951: Veteran whose patent rights were shortened because of his service in World War II may have his patent rights extended twice the length of his service if application is made to Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C. before June 30, 1951.

Newport News one of few cities without a traffic death in 1950.

Bill to reorganize Air Force is introduced in House.

Congressman Harrison, of Virginia gets important committee assignment.

Washington and Lees to Wyoming in Gater Bowl game.

Bus Drivers Go To School

A school for school bus drivers is being held today, it was announced yesterday by Division Superintendent J. A. Burke. Bus drivers and student bus captains will attend the safety school, which will be under the direction of J. M. Shue, of the State Department of Education.

There are 26 school bus drivers in Appomattox County. They have an excellent record for safety.

Tobacco Price At New High

Dark tobacco markets reopened yesterday after the Christmas holidays, and growers found prices at a new high mark for the season. At Lynchburg warehouses, 129,288 pounds of leaf were sold for $48,812.51, an average of $37.75.

One reason for the top prices was the better quality of offerings. Appomattox growers were among those coming up with good tobacco and coming back home with good prices.

Concord R 2

Concord, Va., Route 2, Jan. 3.- Happy New Year to the editor and Times-Virginian readers.

Quite a bit of visiting around during the holidays. Schools opened today and mail carriers back on the job, glad to say. Heard a person say, "mail carriers ought not to have a holiday in the country!"

John Smith, of Camp Pickett, visited his wife and daughter, Betty during the week-end in the home of Mrs. S. E. Anderson. Mrs. Smith and Betty returned to Camp Tuesday after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cabell, of Galts Mill had on their guest list during the holidays Miss Kitty Cabell, of New York City; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cabell and little daughter, of Birmingtion, Alabama; Henry Cabell, of University of Virginia; Clifton Cabell, of Lynchburg College; and Misses Louise and Ann Cabell, of Lynchburg, and Melvin Giles of Halifax County.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Taylor spent a few days last week with Mrs. Taylor's relatives in Mt. Airy, N. C.

Mrs. Dan Taylor, of Lynchburg visited her mother, Mrs. J., B. Taylor part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jennings, Mrs. Bryant and daughter, of Lynchburg were the Sunday evening guests in the home of Clayton T. Drinkard.

Mr. Hartwell Stratton and Marshall Stratton visited Miss Delia Stratton Sunday in the Ramsey Convalescent Home near Evergreen.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Alvis and family, of Newport News were holiday guests of Mr. Alvis' brother, John P. Alvis and family and Miss Annie Alvis, of Richmond, Ky., was visiting in the same home.

Uncle Sam Says

How about a present for yourself this Christmas? Make your present a filled-in-card for the Payroll Savings Plan where you work. The Payroll Savings Plan is a convenient way to save. Determine the amount you want to invest each payday and then your Bonds will come to you automatically. That gift will keep on saying "Merry Christmas" for many years to come.

U. S. Treasury Department

Flu epidemic in New England.

Bloodmobile Will Visit Appomattox

An appeal is being made for Appomattox county people to volunteer to give blood when the Red Cross 'Bloodmobile' comes here on February 17.

The date was oginally set for February 10, and was changed at the request of the Red Cross.

The people of the county are being asked for 200 pints of blood, to go to the Red Cross blood bank for essential military and civilian purposes. The appea. for 200 pints will be made here three times this year, according to the Rev. R. Carl Maxwell, of Memorial Methodist Church, who is heading up the campaign.

The Red Cross 'Bloodmobile" will be set up in the local school cafeteria.

Committees will have pledge cards available next week, and public cooperation is anticipated.

Winners In Christmas Decorations

Winners in the annual contest for the best Christmas decorations on the exterior of homes here were announced this week by the Appomattox Garden Club. They are:

Group 1.- Doorways
1st. Mrs. J. E. Sears
2nd. Miss Beulah Farrell
3rd. Mrs. Ivey Holland.

Group II - Over-all outdoor picture:
1st.- Mr and Mrs. Calhoun Moore
2nd. Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Richardson
3rd.- Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hancock.

Out-of-town judges were used this year and they declared there were so many beautiful places that a decision was difficult.

The Garden Club wishes to thank each one who contributed to the attractive appearance of the town of Appomattox.

Russia sends bid to Germany for "national unity."

West may ask Soviet for flat reply on matter of meeting of Big Four foreign ministers.

Bill for a new super air carrier placed on agenda for the new Congress.

Truman signs bill to increase corporation taxes.

Kick Off

Barbara Ann Johnson, Reporter

Well, good people, how are each and everyone of you after our nice Christmas holiday? I know Santa brought happiness to our homes and joy to the people living in them. Now let's settle down to work and start this year off right.

We were glad to see so many of our students home during the holidays and we always welcome them at ol' A. H. S. Some of the students we saw were: Gwen Shuford and Shirley Stanley, from Madison; David Ferguson, University of Richmond; Faye Wood, Ferrum; Harry and Dick and Byron, all of University of Virginia; Jay Stewart and Charles Harvey, V. P. I.; Patsy Booth and Joyce Wingfield, Radford; Joyce Christian, Wellesley; James Hall and Beulah White, of Lynchburg Colleges and "Sonny" Watson and Tim Mayberry, U. S. Naval Academy; Buddy Ould and George Watson, Fork Un.n.

The dance the Home Economics Club sponsored Minday night was really nice. Music was by the Vagabonds. I kn w that I speak for all when I say we had an enjoyable evening at the Home Ec. dance.

We missed some of our teachers who were not in school this week. We hope they will soon be back with us.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church presented a marionette show Wednesday. It was entitled, 'The Night Before Christmas," and was enjoyed by all and we wish to thank them for this presentation.

The Tri-Hi-Y Club met Wednesday during club period. The program was entitled, '6 Hours a Day,' which illustrated the time spent in public school. Also, Dr. Williams gave an interesting talk.

The community Christmas tree was put up this year in the high school yard and we wish to tell the people who fixed it how nice it looked and how much it added to the appearance of our town.

The basketball pictures were made Wednesday and we hope they turn out well. Don't forget the game on Thursday night, January 4, at Concord. A. H. S. will play C. H. Friend of South Boston, so let's have a big crowd.

Don't forget to give me all the news items of interest!

Care of Soil All Important To Farmers

How will your land be ten years from now? Will it be in a better condition than when it came to you, or will it be less productive, wasted by erosion and depleted of fertility?

C. C. Harvey, chairman of the Appomattox PMA County Committee, raised that question last week during the committee's discussion of the 1951 Agricultural Conservation Program and the farmers' part in national defense.

"From a selfish point of view it may seem better for a farmer to take what he can from the land without spending money on conservation. But that's a short-sighted way to look at it, and it won't pay off," the chairman said. "It is like cutting over an entire tract of timber instead of using selective cutting. But short s.... period gains are soon wiped out when the trees or topsoil are gone."

Today, 150 million people in this country depend on production from our 360 million acres of crop land, according to Mr. Harvey. That's less than 2 1-2 acres per person. As the population increases, the production of the land must keep pace. That means we must constantly rebuild into the soil the fertility which we take away by cropping.

The chairman noted that the world situation today may mean that the farmers may soon be asked for sharp increases in food and fiber production for defense purposes. Already, he said, the Secretary of Agriculture has asked for more cotton, corn and meat supplies in 1951. "This stepped-up production will put a heavy strain on the soils of this country as it did in the last war. And that points more than ever to the need for building our soil to meet extra requirements and the need for returning to the land the fertility which heavy cropping takes away."

The local PMA office is now signing farmers for the 1951 Agricultural Conservation Program and taking orders for lime and fertilizer.

Honor Council Elects Carson

The 4-H Honor Club met January 2 in the school library. Reports were given by Dan Carson and Jay Stewart about the 4-H Club Congress and Short Course. New officers were elected as follows:

President, Dan arson
Vice-pres., Martha Nash
Secretary, Virginia Herndon
Treasurer, Joan Williams
Reporter, Ann Thomas
Song leaders, Leon Paulette and Jo Coleman.

Liberty Church Calls Pastor

At a business meeting last Sunday morning, Liberty Baptist Church extended a call to the Rev. V. W. Sears, of Orangeburg, Indiana. The local pastorate has been vacant since November 1, when the Rev. J. Marshall Walker became pastor of the Bragstown Baptist Church in Durham, N. C.

It is expected that the new pastor and his family will move here February 1.

Funeral Today Mrs. W.A. Moses

Mrs. Carrie Smith Moses, 76, wife of William A. Moses, died at her home here yesterday morning after a brief illness. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:30 P. M. today from the home. Interment will be in Liberty Cemetery.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. W. M. Thompson and Dr. Twyman Williams.

Mrs. Moses was a native of this county, daughter of the late Thomas A. and Nannie LeGrand Smith.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by one son, Hunter Moses, of Appomattox; one daughter, Mrs. A. T. Inge, of Appomattox; three brothers, William E. Smith, of Appomattox; Richard W. Smith, of Spout Spring, and Hunter G. Smith, of Fayetteville, N. C.; two sisters, Miss Emma Smith and Miss Lucy Smith, of Appomattox; three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Death of T. E. LeGrand

Mr. Thos. E. LeGrand

Thomas Ellis LeGrand, 80, died at his home at Evergreen December 26, after an illness of ten days. He was a retired mail carrier.

He was born in Appomattox County, son of the late Thomas Edward and Annie Smith LeGrand.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday at 3:00 P. M. from the Evergreen Baptist Church, with the Rev. Tearle P. Brown in charge. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Mattie E. LeGrand, he is survived by five daughters, Mrs. R. E. Dalton, of Richmond; Mrs. Stanley Hubbard, of Petersburg; Mrs. Sam Beach, of Wilmington, Del.; and Mrs. C. O. Deaner, of Lynchburg; and three sons, Thomas LeGrand, Jr., of Petersburg; James E. LeGrand, of Delta, Pa., and Archie LeGrand, of Evergreen. He also leaves two brothers Luther LeGrand, of Lynchburg and W. J. LeGrand, of Appomattox; and three sisters, Mrs. M. S. Kelly, of Lynchburg; Mrs. Walter M. Hancock, of Appomattox, and Mrs. Douglas Mason, of Rice.

Active pallbearers were: Ned LeGraad, Alfred LeGrand, Charles Mason, Ralph Mason, Ned Hancock, W. M. Abbitt.

Housewarming At Rocks

Pamplin, Jan. 3.- A large number of friends and relatives gathered at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach Saturday night and surprised them with an old time housewarming. Games enjoyed were all based on the "new home idea." The couple was invited to the dining room and presented a loaded table of gifts suitable for the new house. Later everyone was envited to enjoy refreshments served by the joint hostesses, Mrs. Gladys Ranson, Miss C. B. Baldwin and Mrs. Toby Inge. Those present: Mr. and Mrs. Toby Inge, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ranson, Charlene, Joe Almond, Donald Roach, Mrs. D. R. Inge, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth St, John and Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Inge, Diane and Audrey; Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne Inge, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Roach, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Williams and Steve, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Ranson, Jr. and Tommie, and Mrs. Clara Garrett.

Coach Bragg Cites Need of Gymnasium

Appomattox High School will open its New Year athletic program with girls and boys basketball games at the Concord High School gymnasium against South Boston tonight at 7:30.

The A. H. S. girls have won three games and lost one, while the boys have lost all four of their games by a big margin.

Coach Gordon Bragg, of the Appomattox teams, adds the following interesting information:

"I would like to use the rest of this space to explain some important facts and figures about boys basketball, which will show you as a patron and a backer of the different sports at Appomattox High School why the team has lost 21 straight games without a win. First, as I have said before, a team without a gymnasium to practice and play in is like a buggy without a horse. It just won't move. The same applies to a boy when he practices on the dirt and then tries to play on a hardwood floor. He just can't move as well because he isn't used to the floor. The boy can't learn to dribble, pass or shoot the basketball with cold hands and feet bothering him all the time he is outdoors. The second factor in a basketball game is to set up the ball or pass it in order to make a basket, which counts 2 points. Here is what has happened to our team. We probably get the same number of shots as the other teams do, but we make only 10 per cent of our shots count while the team that has practiced in a gymnasium makes around 40 per cent of their shots count. So this leaves us 30 points behind before we even on the floor to play. We can't improve because it takes practice to improve and we cannot practice without a gym. There is a third factor. I have been asked why we don't play teams that were in the same shape we are in. I would like to say that there are none in the same shape we are. Pamplin does not have a gym and they win pretty consistently, but they don't play football to carry them into the latter part of November like we do, and so they can practice outdoors until it gets cold. Madison Heights does not have a gym, and as a rule the only games they win are with schools like ours. They seldom beat any school with a gym, and they have had basketball at their school quite a few years, even as Pamplin has had a team for a number of years. This is Appomattox High School's second year. Fourth, I would like to say that a gym is used not only for a basketball game, and for only a few months in a year. It is a place where a whole community can gather for any kind of meeting, dances, shows and numerous activities concerning education and development of the boys and girls.

"So, in closing I would like to finish by saying that if there really is a Santa Claus, or really a New Year's ambition or resolution in Appomattox County, I wish they would at least consider the need for a gymnasium at the Appomattox High School."

UN troops withdraw from Seoul.

British coal output in 1949 was above previous year.